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Interview Summary

Applicants thank the Examiner for the Interview of September 7, 2005. In the interview, Applicant's attorney dried to clarify, and describe the invention with respect to dited prior art. The point of the invention is the recognition that the sender of E-mail messages may be ehabled to customize the sent messages by creating tags to indicate the importance of the message wherein the tags are varied between one recipient and another, i.e. the sender determines differences in importance of the E-mail message between the recipients based upon the needs of the recipients.

Also, attorney wished to determine where in the modifying Lee et al. reference was there a teaching or suggestion that the sender of the E-mail may set the tags which creates the priorities between recipients of the Email. The Examiner has cited a section in Lee which is several columns long, col. 20 through col. 26.

Examiner stated that he would consider Attorney's pdints when developing the next Official Action.

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